

VOL. XXIII, NO. 6,672. MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 1898. 30 CENTS PER MONTH, PRICE 2 CENTS

June is Our Month for Reducing Stock.

See Our \$25 Parlor Suit for \$16.50. Also Our \$20 Solid Oak Bed Room Suit for \$12.75.

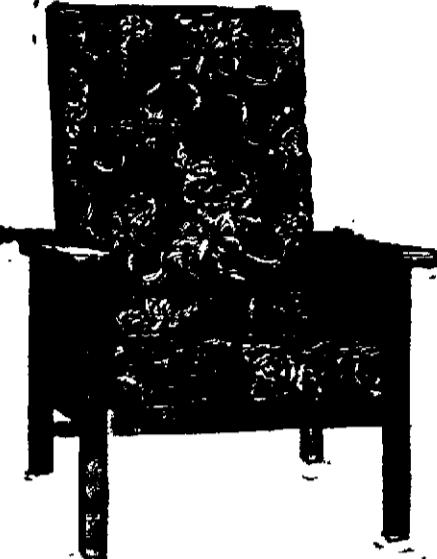
We Sell for Cash or on
Installments.

ASK TO SEE

Our \$5.00 Mattress.

IT IS A BUMMER, ESPECIALLY

FOR SUMMER.



See Our Solid Oak
Dining Chairs.

reduced from \$7.50 to

\$4.98.

Carpets from Sloan's auc-
tion cheaper than ever.

This Morris Chair-Hair Cushions--
Special Price \$2.98.

OUR CROCKERY DEPARTMENT LEADS THE CITY.

Every Piece Made at Our Own Factory is Guaranteed.

C. Emmet Crawford, 44-46 NORTH STREET,
MIDDLETOWN, N. Y.
ALSO NEWBURGH AND PORT JERVIS.

Special June Trade Sale of Muslin Underwear!

and other seasonable goods. Owing to the backward season and war scare, we have been able to secure the most desirable lot of seasonable goods, for spot cash, ever offered by any store. Dollars will do double duty with us this month. Two dollars worth of Dry Goods for one dollar is what you can't afford to miss. It will pay you to come miles to attend this great trade sale. Those who have bought of us before know that when we advertise a bargain they will always find it here just as advertised and in large quantities. These dozens of items will give you an idea of what to expect.

June Sale of Ladies' and Children's
Muslin Underwear.

That's exactly what it is—3,400 choice garments are ready for you.

CORSET COVERS, GOWNS, DRAWERS and SKIRTS

You cannot possibly buy the cottons and trimmings for near the cost of these finished garments, and they're made just as you'd have made them. They're ample in every way, no skimping, and just about half the average wholesale cost.

Ladies' Plain Muslin Corset Covers, high and low neck, as long as they last 9c.

Ladies' Corset Covers, all cut V shape, trimmed with fine embroidery, sizes 32 to 40. As long as they last 15c.

Ladies' Corset Covers, all cut V shape, trimmed with very fine wide embroidery. As long as this lot lasts 19c.

Ladies' Muslin Umbrella Drawers, with wide cambric ruffles, both open and closed—180 in this lot. As long as they last 19c a pair.

Ladies' Fine Muslin Umbrella Drawers, with wide ruffle of cambric, hemstitched edge. As long as they last 29c a pair.

Ladies' Fine Muslin and Cambric Umbrella Drawers, in a great variety of styles. You will wonder how they can make them for the price, 49c a pair.

Ladies' Umbrella Skirts, made with a wide dust ruffle of cambric—120 in this lot. As long as they last 39c.

400 Shirt Waists, made from muslin, percale and gingham. We sell the Griffin Brand, the best made and finest fitting goods made to day. Special values at 50, 75c, \$1.25, \$1.48, \$1.98.

720 Wrappers in this great purchase. Among the lot you will find lawns, percales and satins, in both dark and light styles. All are well made, handsomely trimmed and perfect fitting at 69, 98c, \$1.29, \$1.48.

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60 Belts at cut prices. One lot all colors, in Grained Leather Belts, metal buckles, for this sale 10c. One lot jeweled Leather Belts, all colors, 25c. One lot full jeweled Leather Belts, assorted colors, 39, 48c. Woven Metal Belts is the very latest fad. Come in gilt, gun metal and silver. For this sale 50c.

60 dozen Ladies' Black or Tan Seamless Hose, with drop stitch, 15c a pair, 2 pair for 25c.

60 dozen Ladies' 15c Bleached Ribbed Vests, with short sleeves, 10c each. Extra size Ribbed Vests, for stout ladies, sizes 7, 8, 9, 10, 11c, 2 for 25c.

Remnants of Bleached Table Linens from the mills, 66 and 72 inches wide, 2 to 3 yards in length, 50c a yard—about one-third their real value.

240 pairs Ladies' Real Lisle Thread Hose, double sole and heel. As long as they last 25c a pair.

1,200 boxes 38c Writing Paper, 10 sheets paper, 60 envelopes to match. Come in rough or satin finish. As long as it lasts 19c a box.

240 pairs Ladies' Real Lisle Thread Hose, double sole and heel. As long as they last 25c a pair.

Children's Muslin Drawers, in five sizes, the regular price would be 10, 12 1/2, 15, 19c, according to the size. We have just 240 pairs to sell at this great sale. A chance for tired mothers. First come, first served—10c per pair.

60 dozen Men's Heavy Sockings 15c Black or Tan Hose. Size 9 1/2 to 11 1/2. For this sale 10c a pair.

FLEET NOT IDLE.

Havana Dispatches Say
Baiquiri Has Been
Bombarded.

NAVY AWAITS THE ARMY

Guantanamo Harbor Ready For Land-
ing of Troops.

A CONSTANT PATROL KEPT UP.

Santiago Can't Stand a Long Siege—Ru-
mers of Mediation by Powers—Not-
ing Will Be Done Except at
America's Suggestion.

HAVANA, June 11.—Several Ameri-
can warships yesterday bombarded Bai-
quiri, some distance east of Aguadores
and near the railway line to Santiago
de Cuba. Official advices from Santiago
say that the bombardment "caused no
damage." Baiquiri is a mining locality,
and some of the mines are under Ameri-
can control. At the palace it is denied
that there was any bombardment of the
Santiago fortifications yesterday.

READY FOR TROOPS.

Guantanamo Harbor Controlled by Our
Ships.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, June 11.—The
navy awaits the army.

The fighting ships of Rear Admiral
Sampson and Commodore Schley have
battered down the coast defenses of
southern Cuba and have sealed up Ad-
miral Cervera's fleet in the harbor of
Santiago de Cuba by the brilliant sink-
ing of the collier Merrimac in the chan-
nel at its entrance, which the guns of
the fleet cover unceasingly.

Scout boats running under the shad-
ows of El Morro have cut the Haitian
cable and now hold 35 miles of the coast
east of Santiago de Cuba, including
Guantanamo harbor.

Under the cover of the fleet eastern
Cuba may be safely invaded by land
and sea. Admiral Cervera's fleet annihi-
lated and the entire province and its
towns and harbors seized and held after
a short campaign.

The harbor of Guantanamo is a fine
base for land and sea operations. The
harbor is capacious and has 40 feet of
water. The land approaches are not
so precipitous as at Santiago de Cuba.

The low lying hills can be easily crossed
with trains of siege guns, and there are
level roads to Santiago de Cuba, 33
miles distant, where a few mountain
batteries, beyond reach of the fleet, will
be taken to an eminence commanding
the city and the Spanish ships.

Guantanamo is an important place. It
has six miles of water harbor and will
be of great value to the United States
as a navy and army supply station,
coaling depot and cable terminus.

The Spaniards made but slight de-
fense. Their batteries were silenced on
Tuesday by the Marblehead in a few
minutes' firing at 4,000 yards. A small
Spanish gunboat ran away.

The Oregon, Marblehead and Yankee
hold the harbor, waiting to land mar-
ines.

The navy work has been well done.
Daily and nightly ships patrol the 30
miles of coast within easy gun range of
the shore. The officers and men are
ever ready and impatiently say:

"What more can we do? We have
opened the way. Where is the army of
invasion?"

The answer seems near at hand.

The Marblehead returned to Guan-
tanamo on Wednesday, taking Captain
Goodell of the marines to survey land-
ing places.

Yesterday morning the New York, the
New Orleans and the Porter were close
in shore off Baiquiri, east of Santiago
de Cuba, where there are extensive iron
works. A large pier offers an excellent
landing place. Possibly one detachment
of the army will land there, another
force may land west of El Morro, and a
third body of troops may land at Guan-
tanamo. It is believed Santiago can be
captured within a few days and that
Admiral Cervera will be compelled to

fight.

The destruction of the shore batteries
now enables their occupation by troops,
giving the American fleet an opportu-
nity to enter the harbor, remove the
mines at the entrance and effect a joint
blow of the army and navy, involving
the surrender of the Spanish troops in
the eastern provinces, now practically
in the hands of the invaders.

Imported Organdies, made to
sell for 25 and 35c. We secured the
two lots, so we can sell them at 15
and 19c. All shades of Linings to
match.

Navy Blue and Black Serge, 40
inches wide, for this sale 29c a yard.
Navy Blue and Black Storm Serge,
46 inches wide; for this sale 30c a
yard.

Six dozen fancy and black Under-
skirts, all are umbrella made and
boned with corset bone, at five
regular prices—98c, \$1.25, \$1.48,
\$1.79, \$2.08.

Plain Taffeta Silk, 23 inches
wide, in all the new colors—white,
cream, red, light blue, pink, nile
green, cerise and turquoise; fine
for shirt waists or linings. As long
as they last 15c per yard.

34 inch Lace Stripe and Corded
Dineties, all in dainty new color-
ings; made to sell at 12 1/2c a yard.
As long as the lot lasts 8c a yard.

One case fine Jaconet Lawn, in
stripes, figures and plaids; never
sold for less than 10c a yard. As
long as it lasts 6c a yard.

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For This Week.

Special Sale.

WE HAVE A FINE LINE OF

MEN'S TENNIS SHOES
AND OXFORD TIES!

Men's White Tennis Oxfords, 50c

Men's Black Tennis Oxfords, 50c

Men's Tan Tennis Oxfords, 50c

Men's Black Tennis Shoes, 75c

Men's Tan Tennis Shoes, 75c

We also have them for boys and
youth. We are also offering,
this week, our

Ladies' White Kid Oxford Ties, \$1

Ladies' " Sandal, \$1

Misses' " " \$1

Children's " " 85c

Infants' " " 70c

Call and examine the stock at

SAMUELS'

One Price Shoe Store, No. 11
North Street, Middletown.

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Wagons!Have about all arrived. We are
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INDIAN REMEDIES!

AT

F. M. PRONK'S.

THOSE SPANISH BONDS.

Where the Various Cuban Issues Are Being Held — Few in Britain and Some in the United States — Spain Not So Poor as We Suppose.

—Copyright, 1898.

Senator Chandler's sensational statement that Spanish bonds are held in the United States and his open avowal that it is the influence holders of the bonds have been able to exert with the administration that has been directly responsible for the delay in sending troops to the Philippines, lest it utterly destroy the value of these bonds, has created something of a stir.

The senator, even if his statement is true, will probably have great difficulty in placing his finger upon the man or men who hold the bonds and who exert the baleful influence he alleges with the administration, and his statement will most likely simmer down into a surmise. It is quite true, however, that the customs of the islands are pledged to make good a loan that was subscribed since the war there began, just as all of Spain's other resources are mortgaged to the last dollar almost to secure the various issues of bonds she has been compelled to make to carry on her wars.

Spain was in financial hot water long before the present trouble in Cuba and the east came to pile up debt. The Carlist revolt, which terminated in 1878, and the former Cuban rebellion left the country on the verge of bankruptcy.

But, in spite of this, in 1893 the national finances had been so far pulled up out of the slough that Spanish four per cent. bonds were selling at about .63 in the money centers of the world, and at this figure returned to investors a profit of six per cent.

The war with Cuba turned the financial tide against Spain once more. The cost of this war has from the first been charged against the resources of the island, but as these ceased to exist as

debtors come up for settlement. Then those who own the bonds will be much in evidence, working their various pulls to secure an adjustment that will not leave the Spanish fours on the chilly side of nowhere. A canvass of Wall street revealed the curious fact that Spanish bonds are not held in quite the esteem one might fancy.

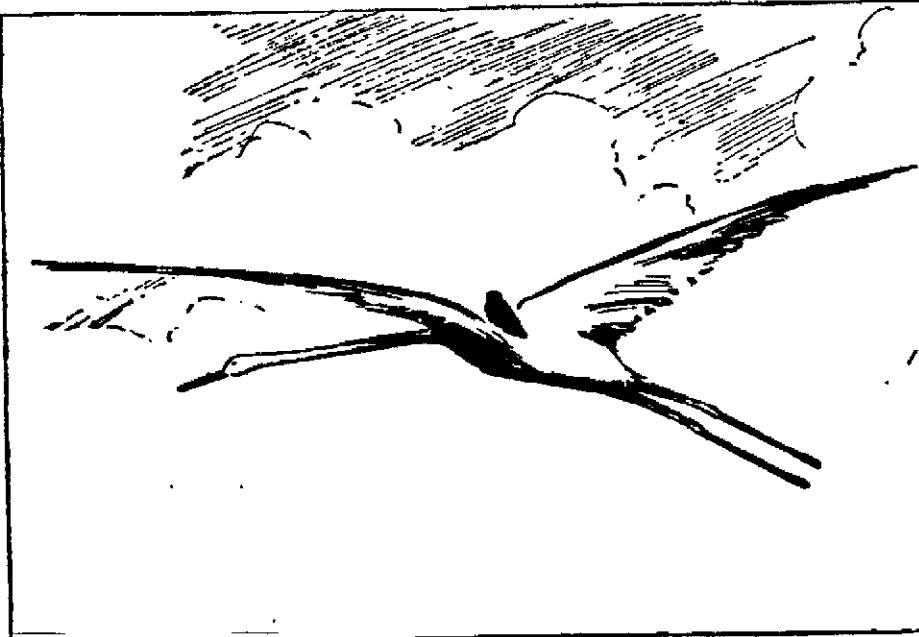
Said a well-known broker: "Spain is really a much richer country than the public supposes, and can meet her obligations, heavy as they are, when the war ceases. France had a greater debt to provide for when the Franco-Prussian war came to an end, and yet stood firm."

ON CRANE-BACK.

Strange Mode of Travel—Possible Solution of the Puzzling Flights of Small Birds.

—Copyright, 1898.

However the little birds contrive to get across such vast expenses of the sea in their annual migrations is a puzzling question. That they do it is unquestionable; it is admitted by the most competent observers that they sometimes get over stretches of billowy brine that for a thousand miles afford no perch for their weary little claws to clutch on. That such an extended flight is too much for them is not only evident in itself, but is proved by the fact that these too venturesome songsters sometimes alight on the rigging of ships in such a state of exhaustion that, when disturbed, they are unable to fly the length of the vessel, and occasionally even fall helpless upon the deck. Sometimes, too, they are seen floating on the water with wings out-



A JOURNEY ON CRANE-BACK.

Ask Your Neighbor



whose house is conspicuously clean, whose work worries her least, whose leisure time is greatest, how she manages. The chances are ten to one she will answer:

"I do all my cleaning with

GOLD DUST Washing Powder

Sold by all grocers. Largest package—greatest economy.
THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY,
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Goods Have Taken a Tumble at the
NEW YORK BAZAAR, 39 West Main St.
Lower Than Ever.

Special lot Silk and Satin Ribbon, Nos. 5 to 16, from..... 3 to 9c a yard
Misses' All Silk Mitts..... 5c a pair
One lot Ladies' Black Figured Skirts, well made up, full four yards wide, rousine lined, value \$2.50, at..... \$1.39
Ladies' White Muslin Skirts, well trimmed, deep Hamburg ruffle and three rucks, value 50c, at..... 3c
Ladies' Muslin Corset Covers..... 7c each
Ladies' Fast Black Hose..... 5c a pair
Ladies' Leather Belts, corered and harmed buckles, at..... 5c each
Ladies' Hemstitched Linen Handkerchiefs 3c each
Ladies' and Men's 4-ply Linen Collars..... 8c each
Ladies' Ribbed Vest, trimmed neck..... 4c each
Children's Fast Black Hose..... 4c pair
One lot Men's Percale Working Shirts, well made up, sizes 14 to 17, at..... 18c each

One lot Men's Veralls and Jackets, good quality, well made up, value 50c, at 29c each
Men's Black and White Striped Shirts, good quality and well made up, with double yoke, at..... 25c each
Children's Percale Shirt Waists at..... 15c each
Children's Lace Bonnets at..... 5c each
Gentlemen's All Silk Ties at..... 10c each
Oil Painted Linen Shades, complete with fixtures, 3x6 feet, 15c, with fringe..... 18c
Sheel Oil Cloth, best quality, full width, 3x4 yard..... 5c
Gentlemen's Socks..... 3c pair up
Large size Chopping Bowls..... 5c
100 feet Clothes Line..... 15c
Four-quart Earthen Stew Kettles, glazed on both sides, special..... 10c each
Six-quart Earthen Butter Jars, glazed, size in 10 Two and three gallon Butter Jars, with lids, at..... 3c each
Glass Covered Butter Dishes..... 5c each
Imitation Cut Glass Sauce Dishes..... 2c each

THE NEW YORK BAZAAR, 39 W. MAIN ST..
Opposite the Commercial House.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK.

Money left with the First National Bank of Middletown, on certificate of deposit, for three (3) months, will draw interest at the rate of three (3) per cent. per annum.
By order of Directors,
SEYMOUR DEWITT, Cashier.

TOMPKINS', 35 NORTH STREET.

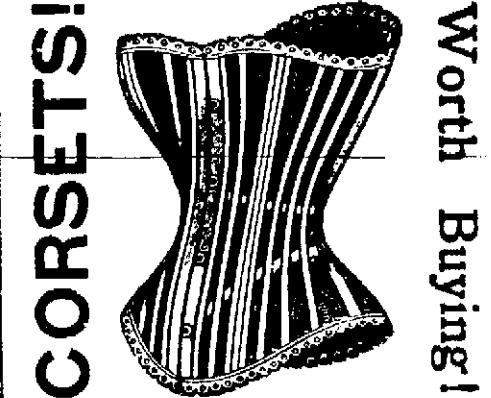
Business and Belligerency!

It is with no careless nor indifferent feeling towards the present deeply important conditions, that we say that War News will not detract from the value of our Store News. War is, happily, an abnormal condition, and will pass; but the needs of the individual are constant and never ending. There will be eating and drinking, and dressing and housemaking. Whatever the news from the Philippines or Caribbean, we shall not mix belligerency with business. The store will go on brighter, bigger, better than ever. Our aim will always be the supplying of your needs promptly, inexpensively, dependably and well.



MILLINERY.

CORSETS!



Worth Buying!

This week we will give you a peep at the very latest Parisian fashions for early summer wear. All elegantly conceived, artistically executed, made of the choicest and most exquisite materials, and they are lower priced than you would dare to guess.

UNTRIMMED HATS. Big Hat projectives will be thrown out this week, and the powder that will send them along will be LOW PRICES.

CHILD'S TRIMMED SAILORS 16c each.

LADIES' SAILORS, new and stylish goods. At Tompkins' 35, 49, 75c, \$1 and \$1.25

Carpets. Carpets.

Pure wool finished Tapestry Brussels Carpet, 6c value, at Tompkins' 6c a yard.

PURE WOOL FINISHED Brussels Carpets, extra and double extra qualities, high and first-class goods, worth 50 to 55c. At Tompkins' 65c a yard.

INGRAIN CARPETS 17 and 25c.

At 35c, a fine wool filled cotton chain Carpet. At 60c, an all wool Ingrain. At Tompkins' best grade of All Wool Ingrain Carpet, made in new, stylish Axminster and Moquette designs.

Matting.

China Matting, good, substantial quality, 8c per yard. Japanese Seamless Matting, very firm and heavy, 25c quality. At Tompkins' 18c per yd.

JAPAN MATTING, linen warp, 25c and 30c quality. At Tompkins' 15 and 20c.

Window Shades.

GOOD FELT SHADES, complete, with spring roller, a 2x32 feet, 7c each.

GOOD OPAQUE CLOTH SHADES, 21c quality.

At Tompkins' 16c each. Same, with fringe, sold by others at 25c. At Tompkins' 18c each.

At 25 CTS. EACH, very heavy fringed Opaque Shades, worth 40c. At 30c each.

Shades, you will find at Tompkins' many different styles that will cost you elsewhere 50c. Fine Lonsdale Shades at 50, 75 and 90c each.

Butterick Patterns

are the best can be had. Only at Tompkins'.

For this week's selling, we have 25 dozen Summer Corsets, as good as you can get anywhere for 49c. At Tompkins', this week, 25c each.

AT 50 CTS. EACH you buy, this week at Tompkins', a corset, v-lace 75c.

AT 75 CENTS, we sell the famous No. 94 corset, worth \$1.00.

AT 99 CENTS, the No. 969, perfect in shape and fit, elsewhere \$1.50.

Cotton Fabrics.

New Laines and Dimities, just colors and pretty designs, 4c a yard.

ANOTHER LOT, pretty patterns, sold elsewhere for 10c. At Tompkins', this week, 7c per yard.

6 cents per yard.

MEN'S 50c NECKWEAR at 25c each. An offer ing that would bring you here even without the other attractions. Fifty cent qualities, in puffs and ticks, made up for us from a silk maker's surplus stock. Fresh new goods, accurate shape, stylish and desirable patterns, rich silk and satin, without precedent, 25c each.

10c Windsor Ties 10c each.

10c Silk Club House Ties. At Tompkins' 5c each.

\$1 UNLAUNDERED. The heading tells the story, "What more needful than that?" They are new goods, perfect goods, made by a man who has made a reputation for excellence in workmanship at a little less than half price. That's soon said, and there'll be little more to do than wrap the shirts in and deliver them. We are also selling a good old Unlaundered Shirt at 30c each.

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MEN'S GAUZE VESTS, trimmed with shawl lace, and silk tape on neck and arm hole, 10c quality. At Tompkins' 10c each.

MEN'S 25c GAUZE SUMMER UNDERWEAR. At Tompkins' 10c each.

Men's 60c EGYPTIAN RAIBRIGGON UNDERWEAR. At Tompkins' 30c each.

MEN'S NIGHT SHIRTS, made of the Homestead muslin, neatly trimmed with imported woven trimmings, cut extra full in body, 40 cents each.

BUNTING—Red, white and blue, 3c per yard.

BUSINESS CARDS.

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GETTING READY TO LEAVE THE SCENE OF MANY MISERIES.

The First Regiment Under Orders to Leave for its Garrison Assignments To-day—May March from Brooklyn to Fort Hamilton—Final Orders Not Yet Issued to the Recruiting Detail.

CAMP BLACK,
HEMPSTEAD PLAINS, N.Y.
June 10th.

The First Regiment is busy, to-day, packing up preparatory to leaving at 10 o'clock, Saturday morning, for the different forts to which the several companies have been assigned. All drills were suspended and the men were given orders to wash trousers and leggings and to clean all equipments. The result is that the camp looks like an enormous laundry. The men are arrayed in poncho costumes and present the appearance of a veritable Coxey's army.

When Major Chase received his orders, yesterday, to go to the home station for recruits he was told to hold himself in readiness to move at a moment's notice, and he informed his non-coms of the order. Then he heard that he would not leave until to-day. Then to-day the orders to move were received and again we were informed that we might not receive transportation and detailed orders until to-morrow, and probably not until next week, after we had become settled in our new quarters. The orders to recruit are to be carried out and the men have been detailed by Col. Barber and their names filed with Gen. Frank at headquarters, and the final orders will be issued at his convenience.

We will arise to-morrow morning at 4:30 o'clock and are due to leave camp at 10:30. Have been unable to ascertain just what route we take, but have been told that we go by rail to the Flatbush station of the Long Island Railroad in Brooklyn, and from thence march to the fort, a distance of about four miles.

NICK.

A GREAT YEAR FOR CROWS.

Very Numerous and Very Saucy—Not Afraid of Scarecrows and Are Doing Great Damage to Corn Fields.

This is great year for crows. They are as numerous as the men who want to volunteer, as hungry as hoboes and as brave as United States sailors. They are playing havoc with the corn in the fields in this vicinity, pulling up thousands of the tender shoots and in some instances they dug the corn before it had a chance to sprout.

They care no more for scarecrows than Dewey did for the Spanish mines in Manila harbor. The most elaborate devices that ever decorated corn fields and lent a piquant picturesqueness to a bit of rural landscape seem to serve no other purpose than to attract the bold marauders. The most novel contraptions affright them no more than the old time ragmuffins who used to stand with outstretched arms in every well regulated corn field. It is really amazing—to every one but the farmer most interested—to see a dozen or more crows at work pulling up corn under the very shadow of a device that would have scared the fellow who erected it had he come upon it suddenly at night. It seems as if all the wisdom and experience as to the harmlessness of scarecrows that has been accumulated by all the generations of crows that ever raided cornfields has been transmitted to the present generation and they are certainly using it for all it is worth.

Crows are sociable birds and when they can spare time from mischief like to get together and talk things over. Large numbers of them have a roosting place a couple of miles south of this city and they are so noisy that they are a decided nuisance to those who have to hear them.

A MERCHANT'S STORY.

Caught a Well Dressed Woman Stealing a Pair of Fifteen Cent Stockings.

"Say," said a dry goods dealer, to-day, "I read your article on well dressed women flickers in the paper, the other night, and I must tell you about one I caught stealing. She was well dressed, and carried a satchel. I saw her seat herself as if to wait for her turn to be waited on; soon she picked up a pair of stockings, marked fifteen cents, and popped them in the satchel. I had an attack of throat trouble at once, and glancing in my direction she saw me. Instantly she replaced the stockings and hurried out of the store."

Strawberry and Ice Cream Festival at St. Paul's.

The ladies of St. Paul's M. E. Church are preparing for a good social time, liberally seasoned with strawberries and ice cream, in the lecture room of the church on Friday evening of this week. A general invitation is extended. Admission free.

Dollar Excursion on the Erie.

On Thursday, June 16th, the Erie will sell round trip tickets to New York at the rate of \$1. Tickets good going on special train leaving James street station at 7:54 a.m., Main street 7:56, return on special train leaving Jersey City at 8 p.m. dd

Low Rates on the Erie.

Account of Imperial Council Nobles of Mystic Shrine convention the Erie will sell special excursion tickets Middletown to Dallas, Tex., and return on June 9 and 11, at the rate of \$37.60 for the round trip.

You will not know how much good Hood's Sarsaparilla will do you until you try it. Buy a bottle to-day and begin to take it.

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES.

Notes of Sunday Services and Other Matters of Religious Interest.

Bethel A. M. E. Church, Rev. T. J. Jackson, pastor—Preaching, 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Sunday School, 8:00 p.m.; Christian Endeavor, 6:30 p.m.; a cordial invitation and welcome is extended to all.

Second Presbyterian Church, Rev. Charles Peetie, D. D., pastor—Preaching 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; C. E. meeting 6:30 p.m.; Junior meet 8:30 p.m.; Boys' Mission Band 2:30 p.m.; Strangers welcome. Children's Day exercises.

First Presbyterian Church—Services at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Juniors at 3:30 p.m.; Young People's service, 6:30 p.m.

St. Paul's M. E. Church, Rev. Frank L. Weston, D. D., pastor—Preaching at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Sunday School, 8:00 p.m.; C. E. meeting 6:30 p.m.; Junior Epworth League, 3 p.m.; Epworth League prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m.; Seats free and strangers cordially invited. Children's Day exercises in the morning. Interesting programme.

North Street M. E. Church—Sunday School at 2:30 p.m.; Robert Lawrence, Superintendent. All are invited. On Thursday evening evangelistic service conducted by Rev. J. C. Coddington.

W. C. T. U. at New York street—Services at 2:30 o'clock. The public is invited to attend. The meeting will be in charge of Mrs. Cowley.

First Mission, 11 Mill street, Elder D. L. Coskun, pastor. You will be made welcome to any or all of the services at the Mission. Sunday School, 2 p.m.; gospel service at 3 p.m.

Free Christian Church—Sunday School, 11 a.m. Evening service at 7:30 o'clock. Gospel Temperance Union this evening.

Grace (Episcopal) Church—Rev. D. J. Evans, A. B., rector—First Sunday after Trinity, Holy communion, 7:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; morning prayer meeting, 11 a.m.; evening prayer and sermon, 7:30 o'clock.

Y. M. C. A., North street—Men's meeting at 2:00 p.m.; All men cordially invited. Leader, W. C. Rasmussen. Subject: "True Religion."

North Street Congregational Church. Morning service at 10:30 a.m.; Preaching by the pastor Rev. J. W. Norris. Sunday School, 12 m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p.m.; Seats free. Strangers welcome. Children's Day exercises in the morning. Evensong subject: "Why I am a Congregationalist."

Old School Baptist Church—Preaching at 10:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. by Elder Francis, of Demarest, Del., and Elder White, of Virginia.

First Baptist Church, Rev. Frank A. Heath, pastor. Bible School at 9:30 a.m.; morning service at 11 a.m.; prayer meeting at 3:00 p.m.; Seats free. You are welcome. Morning subject: "The Child: a bundle of possibilities."—In the evening Children's Day exercises, in charge of Mrs. Abbott, Pettit.

Christ Church (Universalist) Assembly Rooms, 61 North street, Rev. J. Newton Emery, pastor. Sunday School at 10 a.m. Public worship at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Junior Union at 3 p.m. All are cordially invited. Children's Sunday Service to children in the morning, followed by baptism of children. Evening Sunday School concert, under the charge of Mrs. Emery.

First Congregational Church, Rev. W. A. Robinson, D. D., pastor—Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.; preaching 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.; young people's service, 6:30 p.m. Morning subject: "The child in the midst." Baptism of children. Children's Sunday. In the evening, children's exercises, assisted by the choir.

FIREMEN'S CONVENTION.

Will Nominate Department Officers at Excelsior, To-night.

The firemen's convention will be held at Excelsior's rooms, to-night, to nominate officers of the department to be voted for on Tuesday night. The delegates are: Monbagens—J. F. Korn, J. H. Burch, K. W. Staib. Excelsior—L. G. Wilson, C. H. Brink, H. C. Benson. Phoenix—I. S. Clauson, J. T. Fountain, F. H. Eilenberger. Eagles—Leon Simpson, Jacob Lelevre, Carl Johnson. McQuoids—James Short, Thomas Donovan, James Thomas. Waalkils—T. J. Morse, Duncan Ross, L. Hawes. Ontario—Walter Funnell, Joseph Case, Hayes Thornton.

LEASE OF A TROTTING COURSE.

J. A. Terry, of the Palace Hotel, Montgomery, who formerly conducted a saloon on Depot street, this city, has leased the Montgomery race course and will arrange for several trots there during the summer.

AN INTERESTING QUESTION.

A reader of this paper wants to know: "Why is it that there are more rats in a wet season than in a dry one?"

If any of our readers can enlighten him we will be glad to publish their communications on the subject.

"HOBSON'S CHOICE'S" NEW MEANING

From the New York Herald.

The old expression, "Hobson's choice," will henceforth have a new meaning. It will be the story in two words of a man who chose to risk his life for his country's sake, and who thereby gained his country's praise and undying fame.

LIQUOR TAX RECEIPTS.

State Excise Commissioner Lyman reports that the total receipts from the issue of liquor tax certificates of the series of 1898, as reported to June 1, are \$11,611,032. The total number of certificates issued for the same period as above (including all classes) is 26,615.

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OVER THE SHAWANGUNKS.

WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS IN SULLIVAN COUNTY ARE DOING.

The News from All Parts of the County

—Many Matters of Interest Condensed from Our Sullivan Exchanges and contributed by Wide-Awake Correspondents.

—Mrs. M. S. Porges has purchased the residence of J. B. Carrier, on Main street, Liberty, for \$3,500. The property adjoins the Liberty House on the south. Mrs. Porges proposes to tear down the house on the lot and in the near future erect a nice store especially arranged for her millinery business.—Register.

—The Register says that all indications are that Liberty will enjoy the most successful boarding season in its history. Already there are over 1,000 guests in the village, every available cottage has been rented and all desirable rooms have been engaged.

—The engagement of Miss Mary C. Fairchild, of Monticello, to Fred K. A. Torch, of Baltimore, has been announced.—Watchman.

—Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Stevens have issued invitations for the marriage of their niece, Miss Jennie Hotchkiss, to William Lapp, of Livingston Manor, on June 15.

—The report of the State Tax Commissioners shows that this county, with a personal property assessment of \$328,404, was advanced 241 per cent., while the average for the State was but a trifle over nineteen per cent. The responsibility rests with the local assessors, who were badly bulldozed by the bluster and threats of the commissioners.

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—Mrs. John Tymeson, of Monticello, is a guest of Mrs. Harriet Beyea.

OTISVILLE.

Attended the Old School Baptist Association—John Pierson's Lucky Escape

—School Notes—Real Estate Sale—Other Notes.

Correspondence of Angels and Mercury.

—Quite a goodly number of our citizens attended the Old School Baptist Association meeting at New Vernon, which enjoyed beautiful weather in spite of the old tradition, "that it always rains when the association meets."

—John Pierson while crossing the track by the depot was struck by No. 1, Thursday morning. The engine struck the hind wheel of the wagon, throwing the horse down and Mr. Pierson out. Fortunately he was not hurt. It certainly was a very narrow escape from serious injury if not death.

—Mr. and Mrs. Diven, his mother and Mr. Worthman spent Thursday at the pleasant home of John Pierson.

—Grade examinations were held at our public school, Thursday and Friday.

—Alexander Mitchell has purchased the property now occupied by Mr. Hait, near the Catholic Church.

—The closing exercises at the Rome school, Miss Harriet Beyea teacher, will be held Thursday evening, June 16. Those of the Otisville public school on Saturday, June 25th, in the Loomis Grove.

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—Mrs. Margaret Klien died at her home near Jeffersonville, May 28, aged over ninety years. She was born in Germany and came to this country in 1851. She was the mother of ten children.

—May J. Horton, of Liberty, has been granted an original widow's pension of \$8 a month.

—Lieut. Trémaine, of Monticello, is at the New York navy yard, in charge of the ordnance department.

—The Hudson River Telephone Co. has the poles set for its line to Monticello and will have the wires strung and the system ready for use in two weeks.

—Judge Smith began, Tuesday, to take testimony in the Gideon Wales estate case, which is likely to be one of the most protracted litigations ever known in Sullivan county. Mr. Wales died in 1877 and the present proceeding involves the settlement of the estate with a determination of its debts and the interests of the different heirs, after which the real estate will be sold and the proceeds distributed.

—At the Cornell competitive examination held at the Court House June 4, two took the examination—Miss Lucy Gray, of Livingston Manor, and Peter Hardie, of Rockland.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 11.—Thunderstorms to-night; Sunday, showers in northern portion, probably fair in southern portion; warmer to-night, southerly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the reading of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day: 7 a. m., 64°; 12 m., 70°; 3 p. m., 75°.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.

—June 15.—First annual picnic of O. and W. Silver Band, at Mannerchur Park.

—June 16.—Excursion to New York, via Erie Railroad.

—June 21.—Song recital at Second Presbyterian Church.

—July 4.—Picnic of Ontario Hose Co., No. 5, at Mannerchur Park, afternoon and evening.

THE WAR REVENUE BILL.

The war revenue bill, as passed by both Houses of Congress, will be signed by the President without delay. Mr. Dingley expects that it will raise \$175,000,000 annually, but Mr. Dingley's poor guess at the revenue raising capacity of his tariff measure makes the public a little suspicious of his estimates and if the bill yields \$150,000,000 it will do well. Although some of the taxes are nominally laid on manufacturers they will, as is always the case, be paid by the last man in sight—the consumer. He may pay them indirectly and in a way that he does not realize, for if prices are not advanced quantity will be lessened or quality deteriorated, so that in the end every citizen will bear some of the cost of the war.

The leading provisions of the bill are: Malt liquors: Tax advanced from \$1 to \$2 a barrel.

Tobacco, cigars, cigarettes and snuff: Tax increased about one-third on the average; special taxes levied on manufacturers of tobacco and cigars and dealers in leaf tobacco, ranging from \$6 to \$24, according to extent of business.

Banks and bankers: Special tax of \$50 annually on capital of \$25,000 and \$2 on each additional \$1,000, surplus to be included for taxation purposes. Savings banks with no capital stock exempt.

Brokers: Special taxes annually as follows: stock brokers, \$50; pawn brokers, \$20; commercial brokers, \$20; custom house brokers, \$10.

Amusements: Theatres in cities of more than 25,000, \$100; all other places of amusement, \$10; circuses, \$100; bowling alleys and billiard tables, \$5 for each alley or table.

Stamp taxes are levied as follows. Bank checks, drafts or certificates of deposit, not drawing interest, two cents; bills of exchange, (inland) drafts, interest-bearing certificates of deposit, promissory notes, two cents for each hundred dollars or fractional part thereof; foreign bills of exchange and letters of credit, four cents for each hundred dollars or fractional part; foreign bills of lading, ten cents each; domestic bills of lading, which must be issued by railroad, steam-boat and express companies for each shipment, one cent each; telephone messages, for which a toll of fifteen cents or over is imposed, one cent each; indemnity and all other bonds, except those required in legal proceedings, fifty cents each; port warden's or marine surveyor's certificates, twenty-five cents each, all other certificates of any description required by law, ten cents each; charters of vessels, \$1 to \$10, brokers' contracts for sale of stocks, bonds, merchandise, real estate or property of any description ten cents; deeds and conveyances of real estate fifty cents on each \$500 or fractional part thereof; telegrams one cent each, custom house entries twenty-five cents to \$1, withdrawals fifty cents, life insurance policies, eight cents on each \$100 or fractional part thereof, industrial and fraternal insurance exempt, fire, inland and marine insurance, half of one cent on each dollar of premium, co-operative and mutual insurance exempt; casualty, fidelity and guarantee insurance half of one per cent. on premium, leases, one year or less, twenty-five cents, two or three years fifty cents; over three years \$1; custom house manifests \$1 to \$5, mortgages, real or personal, and assignments thereof, exceeding \$1,000 and not exceeding \$1,500 twenty-five cents and on each \$500 in excess of \$1,500 twenty-five cents, foreign passenger tickets \$1 to \$5, power of attorney or proxy, ten cents, power of attorney to sell or convey real estate twenty-five cents, warehouse receipts twenty-five cents; notice of protest twenty-five cents.

Proprietary medicines, perfumery, cosmetics, etc. From one-eighth of a cent on package retailing for five cents to five-eighths of a cent on twenty-five cent

package, and five-eighths of a cent on each twenty-five cents or fractional part thereof in excess of twenty-five cents. Chewing gum: Four cents on each dollar's worth, retail price. Wines in bottles: One cent on each pint. All goods covered by this section in the hands of wholesale and retail dealers on July 1st must pay the tax provided for.

Refiners of sugar and petroleum whose gross annual receipts exceed \$250,000, a quarter of one per cent, on all receipts in excess of \$250,000.

Palace and sleeping cars, one cent for each seat or berth sold.

Legacies and inheritances: \$10,000 and not more than \$25,000, seventy-five cents on each \$100 to lineal issue or brother and sister; \$1.50 per \$100 to nephews and nieces; \$3 per \$100 to the next remove of relationship; \$4 to the next remove and \$5 to next remove or to strangers in blood or corporations of any kind. Legacies or inheritances to husband or wife are exempt.

When the property exceeds \$25,000 and does not exceed \$100,000, the above taxes are to be multiplied by one and a half; when it exceeds \$100,000 and does not exceed \$500,000 they are to be multiplied by two; between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000 by two and a half and in excess of \$1,000,000 by three.

The bond issue is limited to \$400,000,000 and the minimum denominations is made \$20.

It is provided that 1,500,000 of standard silver dollars shall be coined monthly out of the bullion in the treasury.

THE DEATH OF DR. BERTINE.

Coroner's Jury Decides That He Was Killed by Some Unknown Persons.

The inquest into the death of Dr. L. E. Bertine, president of the Board of Health of Mount Vernon, closed Friday night without further developments of importance. The only new feature in the case was a letter from a conductor on a midnight train. He says that on the night Dr. Bertine was assassinated a man whose appearance corresponded with the description given of the person seen lurking near the scene of the tragedy boarded his train at Mount Vernon and wanted to go to South Norwalk. He seemed much disappointed when told that the train would go no further than Stamford. The man had no ticket and paid his fare in cash.

The jury decided that death was caused by a fracture of the skull by a blow delivered by some person or persons unknown.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

The work of laying the track of the Monticello Railroad with steel rails will be completed next week.

—O. and W. engine 26 and a baggage car went to Weehawken, to-day, to take President Fowler's family to Warwick for the summer.

—The Erie's Susquehanna shops have been put on seven hours' time. The men had only five minutes' notice of the shortening of time, the notice having been posted only a few minutes before the whistle blew for the shut down at 3 o'clock.

SHOT AND SHELL.

The second class of cadets at West Point will not be graduated this year.

The secretary of war has authorized the purchase of 10,000 canvas uniforms for use in the Cuban campaign.

Russia will send naval experts to the Spanish and American warships to be eyewitnesses of the battles if permission is obtained.

The Ogden Goelet estate of New York has refused to accept the \$500,000 which the government has agreed to pay for the yacht Mayflower.

An East Tawas (Mich.) man remarked as the volunteers were leaving that he hoped none of them would live to come back, and was nearly mobbed for his pains.

"Pay what I demand or I shall bombard the town," said the commander of the hostile fleet to the citizens. "In other words, 'shell out' or be shelled out."—L. A. W. Bulletin.

The general officers of the National W. C. T. U. have sent a petition to President McKinley and Gen. Miles requesting the prohibition of the establishment of canteens in camps.

It costs about \$800 for every discharge of a great gun on modern battleship. The effects upon the Spanish treasury of the discharge of a broadside from her own navy are alarming to contemplate.

Queen Regent—Oh, America, America! How oft have I wept for thee! My jewels did I put in hoc, Signo, that the "pugs" might be discovered—but 'twere all as a dream! I have cast my pearls before swine!—From act 1, scene 1, of the latest war drama.

Actually.

Wife—But you told me to get the gown, dear.

Husband—You said it would cost only about \$25, and here is a bill for \$100.

"Well, that is all it did cost the dressmaker."—Detroit Free Press.

A Compliment.

Mr. d'Auber (loftily)—No, Miss Budd, I don't paint pictures to sell; I merely paint for amusement.

Miss Budd (enthusiastically)—Oh! Mr. d'Auber, I always did think your pictures were awfully amusing!—Puck.

Very Brief.

His sentence was a short one.

And yet his mind is ripe.

With gloomy thoughts; that sentence was just two words. "For life."

—Up-to-Date.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers.

The Sunday Reader.

It Was Inherited

The Legacy Received by a Union Mills Lady

Not Pleased with the Conditions—How They Were Changed.

Julia Blake, of Union Mills, N. Y., has been the victim of hereditary troubles. Her experience cannot fail to be of benefit to others who may find themselves in the same circumstances. She makes this statement:

"I have had a cough ever since I can remember. I was told it was hereditary, as my uncles and aunts had died with consumption. I was thin and yellow and had dark rings around my eyes. One day an advertisement of Hood's Sarsaparilla fell into my hands. I concluded to try this medicine and I derived so much benefit from the first bottle that I took five in all and I am now well and strong. My complexion is clear, my cheeks are filled out and I have grown fleshy." JULIA BLAKE.

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—Pin Check Worsted Suitings, tans and greys, a 25c article at 12½ cents.

—Golf Madras, for blazer suits and skirts, a 12½c article at 7½c.

—40 inch White Organdie, a 25c kind for 14c.

—100 dozen Ladies' Ribbed Vests at 10 12½c, sleeveless or half sleeve 25 dozen Children's Ribbed Vests, half sleeve, at 10c.

—The best Boys' Ribbed Hose ever shown at 10, 12½, 15c; the best value in Ladies' Hose at 10, 12½, 15, 25c. We say all the above lines are actual bargains. Come and see.

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The effects upon the Spanish treasury of the discharge of a broadside from her own navy are alarming to contemplate.

Queen Regent—Oh, America, America!

How oft have I wept for thee! My jewels did I put in hoc, Signo, that the "pugs" might be discovered—but 'twere all as a dream!

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ANNIE E. ROBINSON, Executrix.

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LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, to-day.

—Purcell's rickeys are all the go. Try one.

—The Water Board will hold a meeting, to-night.

—The Port Jervis trotting association is arranging for a meeting on July 4th.

—The Poughkeepsie shoe factory is turning out 2,000 pairs of army shoes a day.

—There will be a special meeting of the Angel Sodality, Sunday afternoon, at 4 o'clock.

—It cost Rockland county \$5,800 for the services of detectives in the Kinney murder case.

—The Chester National Bank has declared a semi-annual dividend of three per cent, free of taxes.

—The stock of the Hopkins store will be sold by Constable Van Keuren, at No. 118 North street, June 20.

—Chas. Bennett, to-day, received two prettily-marked coach dog pups from Nate Hubbard, of Port Jervis.

—August Pfaff will pay \$10 reward for the arrest of the person who stole a dozen photographs from his stereoscope.

—N. D. Mills' cigar store will be headquarters for helgrammies and other fishing bait next week. Bass fishermen should remember this.

—There are no tents at West Point and the annual encampment of cadets will be delayed until a supply can be received, which will be about July 1st.

—The Middletown High School sent a large delegation to Newburgh to attend the intercholastic athletic contest, in which a number of Middletown boys take part.

—Three young women were fined \$1.25 each in Poughkeepsie, Thursday, for riding their wheels on the sidewalk. Three men also paid fine for the same offense.

—Earville has about the meanest man in Central New York. He went into a neighbor's field and dug up about half a bushel of potatoes that had just been planted.

—The "White Elephant" of the trolley line, broke down on North street, this morning, and men tinkered under it for nearly an hour before it could be run to the shops.

—John P. Keating, a prominent young Poughkeepsian, who was to have been married next week, was killed, Thursday, by falling from the roof of a two-story house on which he was at work.

—Arthur Leighton, the acid manufacturer, who is clearing up large tracts of land at Trout Brook, recently bought three carloads of Western steers and young stock to pasture on his tract.

—A party of trout anglers returned to Honeida one day last week unrecognizable by even their most intimate friends, because of the manner in which the wood flies and mosquitoes punished their faces.—*Citizen.*

—The reserved seat chart for Mrs. St. John's long recital, at Second Presbyterian Church, June 21st, opens on Tuesday, June 14th, at Hanford & Horton's. Tickets are thirty-five cents with no extra charge for reserved seats.

PERSONAL.

—Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Ogden spent Friday in Walden.

—G. B. Wales went to New York, to-day, for a month.

—Charles Davis, of New York city, is in town visiting friends.

—Dr. Arthur P. Powelson, of the State Hospital staff, returned, Friday night, from Binghamton, where he had gone with a patient.

—Mrs. Fred Chadwick and Mrs. John Fallquist, of New London, Conn., are visiting their sister, Mrs. Winchester, of Linden avenue.

—Harry Morton, of Hoboken, son of President Morton of the Stevens Institute of Technology, is visiting his cousin, Mrs. Daniel Finn.

—Dr. F. M. Barnes left, to-day, for a few days' visit at Susquehanna, Pa. Dr. Willard N. Barnes will be in charge of the office in his absence.

—Andrew Harford, formerly of this city, now employed on the Broadway cable road, is the guest of his brother, John, No. 103 Linden avenue.

—Miss Bessie Rogers went to Ford Edward, to-day, to attend the commencement exercises, of the Fort Edward Institute, from which she graduated, last year.

—James E. Gibbs received, this morning, a dispatch from his brother, Capt. Stephen Gibbs, saying that he and his family would leave Boston, this afternoon, and would reach this city at 11 o'clock, to-morrow. Capt. Gibbs reached Boston about ten days ago and has

since been supervising the unloading of his bark, the Olympic.

—Ex-Assemblyman John Kissila, of Port Jervis, was in town, to-day.

—General Superintendent Fitch, of the Erie, went east, Friday, in a special car attached to No. 2.

—Mrs. S. E. Wenzel and family, who have been visiting at Frank Harding's, returned to Callicoon, to-day.

—Mrs. Charles Horton went, this morning, to Sha-wan-ga Lodge, at High View, where she will spend several weeks.

—O. C. G. Urban, superintendent of the electric road under its old management, is in town. His application for enlistment in the U. S. Engineers will, he fears, be rejected on account of an injury to his knee sustained a few months ago.

—Leroy Judd, one of the original members of the Bachelors' Social Club, and now a resident of Hayes City, Kan., was in town to-day, calling on old acquaintances. He was formerly in partnership with G. B. Fuller, in the retail hat trade on North street.

—Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Greening and daughter, of Middletown, and Miss Grace Greening, of Liberty N. Y., are the guests of their cousin, Mrs. Charles Thorn, of New Windsor. Mr. Greening was formerly a resident of Newburgh, and notes many changes in this city and vicinity since he left twenty years ago.—*Newburgh Journal.*

OBITUARY.

John L. Ketcham.

John Logue Ketcham, an old and well-known citizen of Mount Hope, was buried this afternoon.

He was the youngest son of Joseph and Mary L. (Mullock) Ketcham, and was born Feb. 22, 1820. He was the last of a family of ten children. His first wife, Harriet Writer, died in 1870, and his second wife, Maria Seybolt, died in 1876.

A daughter by his first wife, Electa Jenerette, survives.

Lewis C. Remey.

From the Port Jervis Gazette.

Lewis C. Remey, a well known citizen of this place, died at his home, No. 14 Hammond street, this village, at 1:30 p. m. Thursday, of paralysis, after a brief illness. He was stricken with paralysis Tuesday night.

Mr. Remey was born in Eatontown, Orange county, in 1835, and was a son of Richard and Sarah A. Remey. He spent thirty years of his life as a resident of Greenville, where he followed the occupation of a farmer.

He removed to Port Jervis fifteen years ago, and has since resided here, practicing veterinary surgery.

He was married March 30, 1864, to Emily Seely, of Greenville, who survived him with the following children:

Fred, of Newark; Harry, Willie and Mamie L., of Greenville; Jessie, of West town; Millie, wife of Burton Canfield, of Newark, and Julie K., wife of Arthur Dolson, of Newark.

He leaves also a sister, Mary, wife of Jacob Slingerland, of Greenville.

The funeral took place at the house, to-day, at 1:30 p. m., Rev. Mr. Gillespie officiating. Interment was in Holbert Cemetery, near Centreville.

COURT PROCEEDINGS.

—A Port Jervis Man Who Wants \$2,000 for Being Called a "Jail Bird"

GOSHEN, June 10.—The taking of testimony in the case of Theodore Wice vs. William Rixton, was completed when Judge Dickey adjourned court, Friday afternoon. The lawyers will sum up Monday morning, at 10:15. It is a slander case between Port Jervis parties. It is charged that Rixton called Wice a jail bird, and he thinks he has been damaged to the amount of \$2,000. Mr. Lyon, the defendant's counsel, in cross-examining the plaintiff elicited the fact that he had been arrested on several occasions and on various charges, and that he had spent several days behind the bars in the Tombs in New York.

—Affairs of the Highland Mutual Insurance Co.

The Highland Mutual Insurance Co., of Newburgh, will contest the suit brought by the State authorities for its dissolution on the ground that it is insolvent. Officers of the company contend that Superintendent Payne is making a harsh and unwarranted constriction of the law as it applies to mutual companies and it wants the courts to pass upon it.

A number of the Highland Mutual's policies are held in this city.

Mector Strader, of Ellenville, Made an Army Chaplain.

Rev. Nelson F. Strader, rector of St. John's Memorial Church, Ellenville, started for Chickamauga, this morning, to join the 8th Regiment, N. Y. V., of which he has been appointed chaplain.

—CHOYNISKI AND MC'DOUGAL MATCHED

CHICAGO, June 11.—Joe Choyinski has signed articles to fight Kid McCoy twenty rounds before the Hawthorne Athletic Club, of Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 27, at catch weights for a purse of \$7,500, the winner to take seventy-five per cent, and the loser twenty-five.

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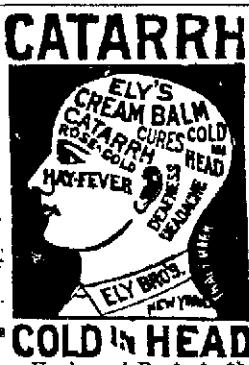
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POLICY OF ENGLAND.

Chamberlain Defends His Attitude on Foreign Questions.

GREAT BRITAIN AND UNITED STATES

The Closer Their Alliance the Better For Both Nations and For Civilization. England Can't Preserve China's Independence Without Aid.

LONDON, June 11.—Sir William Vernon Harcourt, the Liberal leader in the house of commons, asking information yesterday afternoon as to the foreign policy of the government, proceeded to criticise at length the recent speech of Mr. Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, at Birmingham. He referred ironically to the "pitiful spectacle of the secretary of state for the colonies standing, cap in hand, before the powers and seeking an alliance," remarking, "The Chinese question must be settled in friendship and concert with Russia." He asked whether it would not have been better for Mr. Chamberlain to "postpone his insults to Russia" until the talked of alliance had been secured.

Mr. Chamberlain, who, on rising to reply, was received with government

The farmer is supposed to be about as healthy as it is possible for a man to be. People smile at the idea that a farmer can ever be ill. His occupation is supposed to be an assurance of good health. The contrary is frequently the case. He is the most hard worked of men, and the hard-working man above all others needs to take care of his health. Frequently the farmer is in a malaria district. The result is malaria, fevers, liver complaint, rheumatism or neuralgia.

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JOSEPH CHAMBERLAIN.

cheers and Irish Nationalist hisses, denoted that there was any discrepancy between himself and other members of the cabinet.

"I believe," he said, "that our interests are much more closely allied to the interests of Germany than to those of Russia. The cabinet is not responsible for every single word uttered by its members, but it is responsible for every declaration of policy and every important statement of fact. If there had been a difference of opinion between Lord Salisbury and myself, it would have been my duty to resign. That is my answer to all these charges. I have not resigned, and have not been rejected by the prime minister. Therefore there is solidarity."

Mr. Chamberlain declared that the object of his Birmingham speech was "not to lay down a policy, but to state facts to the country as to what I conceive to be the conditions and great problems we are called to face." The speech, he continued, had been made, and there was not one word of it that he intended to withdraw. Great Britain could stand alone, but in that case she could not exercise the controlling influence she had hitherto exercised in China. "So long as we are without alliances," he said emphatically, "it will be impossible to preserve the independence of China against inroads."

Repeating the leading features of his Birmingham speech, Mr. Chamberlain declared:

"If it became known that we were willing to consider alliances, it is not unlikely that advances would be made to us. A mutual understanding with one of the great powers would save a very large addition to the navy."

In concluding, he referred to the "importance of a close understanding with America," adding, "In my opinion on such a matter the United States would not listen to the Irish vote." But whether England or America were menaced he said he hoped it would be found that blood is thicker than water, and without desiring to force either nation to enter into an alliance with which a majority of both peoples did not thoroughly sympathize he would repeat his conviction that the closer, the more defined and the clearer the alliance between the United States and England the better it would be for both nations and for civilization. Mr. Chamberlain's speech ended amid loud cheers from the government benches.

Mr. John Dillon, the Irish Nationalist leader, protested against Mr. Chamberlain's insults to the Irish in America.

Sir Charles Dilke's motion for a reduction in the foreign office vote as a rebuke to the government's foreign policy was then rejected by the house by a vote of 234 against 128.

CHARLESTON AT GUAJAN.

Captain Glass Believed to Have Seized Ladrones Islands.

WASHINGTON, June 11.—Washington believes tonight that the American flag is flying over the Mariannes or Ladrones Islands, a group belonging to Spain. 1,000 miles or more to the east of the Philippines.

Under the instructions given him before his departure from San Francisco Captain Henry Glass, commanding the cruiser Charleston, was directed to proceed to Guajan, the most important of this group—the only island upon which Spain had a force of soldiers—require the surrender of the enemy's men and to take possession in the name of the United States.

These instructions were known before the departure of the Charleston from Mare Island, but have been kept silent until now, when the islands are undoubtedly in the possession of the United States, because of the apprehension of the officials that the publication of the information would cause the Spaniards to re-enforce the garrison at Guajan, and thus make more difficult and dangerous the task of Captain Glass in conquering it.

It was because of the necessity of having a landing force that the Charleston waited at Honolulu for the arrival of the transport Peking with 1,600 troops aboard. The troops were under the command of Major General Otto, and he was directed before his departure from San Fran-

to Captain Glass in accomplishing the defeat of the Spanish force in the Ladrones Islands.

No doubt exists in official circles that the Charleston has by this time reached Guajan. During the run from San Francisco to Honolulu the cruiser made an average of 300 miles a day, and on one or two occasions made 350 miles.

Proceeding at her average rate—a rate

which the Peking will easily be able to maintain—it is estimated by the officials that she should have made the 1,000 miles separating the Hawaiian Islands and Guajan in ten days. If, as is believed, she left Honolulu on May 31, she has thus covered the distance, and by this time has taken possession of the islands.

It is not believed that the American force had much difficulty in taking Guajan. The Spaniards had two small forts at that point, and just before the war broke out sent a few guns and troops to re-enforce the garrisons.

These are not believed to have been large enough to have given any trouble to the American forces.

BREAD RIOTS IN HAVANA.

Food Prices In the Cuban Capital Rising Every Day.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, June 11.—The British cruiser Talbot has arrived here. She left Havana on Tuesday with 38 English persons, ten of whom were women. The women included a sister of the British Red Cross society.

The passengers report that Havana is quiet. Food is scarce, and this is particularly true of flour. More than half the bakeries are closed, and others, which are only filling outstanding contracts, expect to close within a few days.

One bakery was besieged by a mob, while 250 persons inside the shop were clamoring for the privilege of purchasing bread when it closed up.

Eggs are now a luxury and have been taken from the regular menu at the hotels. They are supplied only at a large extra cost.

The Spanish soldiers are grumbling that they are starved and that the government owes all of them from 9 to 12 months' pay. Petty officials subsist by extorting blackmail and demanding extra charges on everything.

Meat is quite plentiful, as 800 head of cattle were recently landed at Batabano.

Paper money is worth only 14 to 16 per cent of its value, and a cent is worth \$9 in silver.

Captain General Blanco is endeavoring to sustain the courage of the citizens with bombastic bulletins reporting American defeats. He has issued orders prohibiting dealers from raising the price of food, but it has had little effect.

To the above named defendants: You are hereby summoned to answer in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the days of travel and court delays, and to appear and give your answer. Judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated New York, May 24th, 1898.

JAMES HAROLD WARNER, Plaintiff's attorney, office and postoffice address, 12 Broadway, New York.

To the above named defendants: James C. Hincliffe, William W. Hincliffe, John Hincliffe, Edward E. Hincliffe, Sarah E. Hincliffe, George M. Noble, Trustee, David A. Hunter, Daniel H. Brink, Charles E. McIntyre, John E. Barnes, Edward A. Brown (the first names of said McIntyre, Barnes and Brown being fictitious, their real names unknown to this plaintiff), claiming to be stockholders thereof; Middletown-Groves Traction Company (consolidated), Land Title and Trust Company (trustee of the estate of J. Hinckley Clark, deceased), Land Title and Trust Company (trustee of the estate of Julia Hinckley Clark, deceased), John Hinckley, Sr., William B. Rockwell Ernest G. Wightman, Charles E. Gardner, Henry W. Brink, Charles E. McIntyre, John E. Barnes, Edward A. Brown (the first names of said McIntyre, Barnes and Brown being fictitious, their real names unknown to this plaintiff), claiming to be stockholders thereof; Middletown-Groves Traction Company, William B. Rockwell, George M. 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Midnight Alarm at Fort Monroe.

PORT MONROE, Va., June 11.—It is reported that a Spanish battleship, two cruisers and a torpedo boat are lurking outside the capes, and there was great activity at the fort last night.

The troops slept by their guns, and the searchlights of the cruiser Minneapolis and auxiliary cruiser and the one at the fort played all night.

All the officers at the posts were called at midnight by a bugler and hurried to their posts.

St. Louis Takes a Prize.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, June 11.—The United States auxiliary cruiser St. Louis was sighted off Morant point yesterday. She reported that she had captured a Spanish merchantman just out of Kingston. It is possible that the prize is the Purisima Concepcion.

Alleged American Spy Arrested.

GIBRALTAR, June 11.—An American, it is reported, was arrested at Algeciras, on the bay of Gibraltar, Spain, last night, charged with being in possession of the plans of the fortifications at Cadiz.

DUN'S REVIEW.

The Cornering of Admiral Cervera Booms Trade.

NOW YORK, June 11.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says:

The nation has been thrilled during the past week by the heroic action of Hobson and his associates, and the certainty that the Spanish Atlantic Fleet is imprisoned and powerless to do harm has helped to make the tone of markets more confident. Every step of progress during the week which has looked toward an early termination of the struggle has been reflected in the market and in lower rates for money. All industries have felt the uplifting influence. The cotton manufacture has been more embarrassed than any other owing to causes not connected with the war, but has found larger demand for goods and higher prices for prime cloths in a general conviction that the point of difficulty has passed.

Men talk as if wheat had gone down out of sight, but the collapse of May speculation has only made it more evident that the outside world requires not if not quite all the wheat this country can spare. Last week Atlantic wheat, flour included, were 4,206,233 bushels against 1,634,692 last year, and the exports were 233,213 against 125,213 last year, and it is close to the end of the season. Over 210,000,000 bushels of wheat have already been exported in almost 200,000 bushels of corn, 1,212,993 bushels during the past week against 1,787,053 last year.

Exports for the week ending June 2 amounted to \$2,195,049—manufacturing, 11,029,331, and trading, \$90,059. Imports for the week have been 203 in the United States against 262 last year and 17 in Canada against 30 last year.

BASEBALL SCORES.

Results of Yesterday's Games in the National League.

At New York—
New York . . . 2 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 2 — 6
Chicago . . . 0 2 2 0 3 0 0 0 0 — 7
Hits—New York, 7; Chicago, 9. Errors—New York, 4; Chicago, 5.

At Brooklyn—
Brooklyn . . . 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 — 1
Cleveland . . . 0 1 1 0 6 0 0 0 0 — 8
Hits—Brooklyn, 8; Cleveland, 11. Errors—Brooklyn, 4; Cleveland, 1.

At Philadelphia—
Philadelphia . . . 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 — 1
St. Louis . . . 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 1 0 — 3
Hits—Philadelphia, 14; St. Louis, 9. Errors—Philadelphia, 0; St. Louis, 0.

At Baltimore—
Baltimore . . . 1 0 3 0 0 0 0 2 4 — 10
Louisville . . . 4 0 2 1 0 0 0 0 0 — 7
Hits—Baltimore, 11; Louisville, 9. Errors—Baltimore, 3; Louisville, 2.

At Washington—
Washington . . . 0 2 2 1 0 0 0 0 0 — 5
Pittsburg . . . 0 0 0 1 0 4 0 0 0 — 6
Hits—Washington, 12; Pittsburg, 11. Errors—Washington, 2; Pittsburg, 4.

At Boston—
Boston . . . 0 0 0 0 0 3 0 0 0 — 3
Cincinnati . . . 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 2 — 4
Hits—Boston, 8; Cincinnati, 5. Errors—Boston, 1; Cincinnati, 0.

Table of Percentages.

W. L. P. C.

Cincinnati . . . 30 13 .695

Cleveland . . . 29 15 .669

Boston . . . 25 16 .632

Baltimore . . . 24 15 .615

Chicago . . . 23 21 .522

New York . . . 22 21 .512

Pittsburg . . . 23 22 .511

Philadelphia . . . 18 22 .470

Baltimore . . . 16 24 .400

Washington . . . 15 28 .388

St. Louis . . . 15 28 .348

Louisville . . . 14 32 .304

Uprising in Turkestan.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 11.—The report of an unexpected attack by 1,000 natives on a Russian post garrisoned by 300 infantry at Andijan, Fergana province, Turkestan, is confirmed. The uprising, in which 20 soldiers were killed and as many more were wounded, was of purely religious origin and due to the intrigues of the Mussulman priesthood, who, excited by Turkey's victory over Greece, promoted the outbreak, with the most serious reverse to the Russian arms sustained in central Asia in many years. The leader of the band, a high Mussulman priest, has confessed to secret understanding with high circles at Constantinople and admits that the uprising was intended to be general in the province of Fergana.

Killed by a Train.

AUBURN, N. Y., June 11.—Patrick Ferron, about 45 years old and married, a section hand in the employ of the Lehigh Valley railroad, was killed last night by being struck by a Lehigh engine that was coming out of a coal pocket. He formerly lived at Cayuga and moved here but a short time ago with his family.

Japanese Diet May be Dissolved.

YOKOHAMA, June 11.—The imperial diet was reopened yesterday. After a stormy discussion the government's proposals for land taxation were rejected amid great uproar. The diet will probably be dissolved.

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THE GRAND JURY'S WORK.

Twenty Indictments Found—Those Against Prisoners Who Are in Custody
The Grand Jury completed its labors at Goshen, Friday afternoon, when it handed its indictments to Judge Dickey and was discharged. The only arraignment of prisoners was that of Winston, already mentioned. The others in custody will probably be arraigned Monday.

There were twenty indictments found. Two against prisoners in custody are as follows:

H. G. Raymond, forgery second degree. Forged a check on the Newark Electric Light and Power Company, and was arrested in this city.

W. W. Houston, forgery second degree. Lives in the town of Warwick, and is charged with forging the name of his uncle, J. K. Houston, to a check.

Thomas Ward, assault in the first degree. The assault was committed on his wife, Sarah Ward, in Goshen.

Eugene Harding, grand larceny in the first degree. Embezzlement of money from Snyder & Fancher, of this city.

Cornelia Simons, manslaughter in the second degree, in causing the death of an adopted child by cruel and inhuman treatment, at Highland Falls.

Walter Fredericks, burglary in the third degree, breaking into and robbing the general store of R. C. Jackson at Cuddebackville.

James Croun, grand larceny in the second degree, in stealing a bicycle from Grocer John E. Corwin, of this city.

George H. Kelley and George Johnson, two indictments each for burglary in the third degree, breaking into John Farrel's hotel and J. W. Sloat's store on East Main street, this city.

Joseph Book, Martin Lastib and Andrew Jerearney, for riot at Rose brick yards, near Newburgh.

William Peterson, manslaughter in the second degree, in causing the death of Harvey Mapes at Goshen by striking him on the head with a lump of coal.

STANDARD OIL CO. ROBBED.

The Safe in Its Office Opened and \$25 Stolen—Money That the Thieves Over-took.

Burglars entered the office of the Standard Oil Company, on Sprague avenue, through a window, Friday night, and either found the safe unlocked or leisurely worked the combination and opened the door. This morning the safe was open and about \$25 was missing. The thieves, however, had overlooked \$100 which was also in the safe.

The police theory is that expert crackers had intended to blow the safe open, but finding that the bookkeeper's good night twist of the handle had not dropped the combination easily opened the door.

The office is so far away from houses and other business places that the job was easy.

One of the 1st Regiment's Mascots.

From the Brooklyn Eagle.

Private Potter, the nephew of Bishop Potter, a member of Company A, 1st Regiment, has presented to his company an interesting mascot. He returned after several days' leave, yesterday, bringing with him a trained bear. The animal can be put through mock military evolutions. This regiment has an assorted collection of mascots. Since the order of the colonel banishing dogs was put into effect the different companies have gathered up a small menagerie.

A Wheelman's Mishap.

As Frank M. Madden, of the Eagle File Company, was returning on his wheel from a trip to Walden, Friday, the handle bar broke and he was thrown to the ground. The wheel was wrecked so badly that he was forced to leave it at a farm house and he walked three miles to this city.

A Fireman's Funeral.

The funeral of Chief McKee at Walden was largely attended, Friday. The fire department formed part of the procession and the fire houses were draped in mourning. Chief Highland, of this city, was among the mourners.

Drowned in the Hudson.

Albert McIntosh, seventeen years old, was drowned in the Hudson at Newburgh, Thursday afternoon. He was swimming about 100 feet from a dock, when he was seized with cramps and sank before assistance could reach him.

Delaware County Firemen's Tournament.

At the Delaware county firemen's tournament at Stamford, Friday, Walton won the hose company race in forty seconds, the best time ever made in the county. The next convention will be held in Walton.

The Biggest Trout of the Season.

Charles Odell, a wood chopper who fished with a sapling and crude tackle, caught the biggest trout of the year at Cook's Falls, a few days ago. It weighed three pounds and five ounces.

Mary Powell Excursion.

The next Mary Powell excursion will be run by the Ontario and Western, on Tuesday, June 28th, at the popular price of \$1 for the round trip. Train will leave Middletown at 7 a. m. Wait for it. td

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AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

Going to Tennessee—Attending the School Boys' Games—New Books—The Rebekah Degree Lodge—Odd Fellows' Memorial Day.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—Mrs. Galen Murray and her daughter, Mrs. S. L. Casey and two children, will start, Monday, for Suwanee, Tenn. Mrs. Henry Bacon will give a 50 o'clock tea and reception in honor of Mrs. Murray and Mrs. Casey, this afternoon.

—A number of Goshen people are attending the interscholastic games at Newburgh, to-day.

—A number of new books have been added at the Goshen library.

—Next Monday night Willowcrest Rebekah Degree Lodge, I. O. O. F., will be installed at the lodge rooms of Orange Lodge by D. D. G. M. Gertrude Myers, of Newburgh. There are thirty charter members. A number of candidates will be initiated by a degree team from Middletown and a collation will be served. It will doubtless be an interesting occasion when the ladies ride the goat.

—To-morrow is Odd Fellows' Memorial Day and will be appropriately observed by Orange Lodge.

THE BAND CONCERT.

A Very Large Audience Heard the 24th Company Band at Academy Avenue Park.

The 24th band gave a concert at Academy avenue park, Friday night, which drew a large audience. It was the first opportunity Middletowners have had to listen to outdoor music, in this city, this season, and they took full advantage of it.

The band played remarkably well. The park and sidewalks about were thronged with people who enthusiastically applauded each number on the programme.

The stand was poorly lighted, however, and if the concerts are to be repeated, the Council should arrange to light it suitably.

The band, which is composed of very competent musicians, is now under the leadership of John F. Gordon, and practice meetings are being held regularly.

Obituary Notes.

—Mrs. J. C. Mullison received word, Friday night, of the sudden death of her brother-in-law, G. W. M. Hanley, of Philadelphia, from the effects of grip.

Bad Symptoms Gone.

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fers who take this wonderful medicine. J. T. Ford, of Binghamton, N. Y., writes: "I had Kidney Trouble so badly that I had to sit up all night on account of my back aching so. Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy cured me. I often take it now in small doses, and I find it keeps my bowel regular."

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